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MEMORANDUM FOR: DDCI  
FROM: DCI  
SUBJECT: Hostile Intelligence Threat

This looks to me like something we  
shouldn't have any flap about. If you  
agree, why don't you have Dave Gries handle  
it.

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William J. Casey

Attachment:  
Memorandum-Hostile Intelligence Threat



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NOTE FOR DCI

Attached per your request is a proposed final draft of the unclassified assessment of the hostile intelligence threat. We have endeavored to accommodate suggested changes of the Intelligence Community, particularly with respect to State's concerns about the nature and degree of the PRC threat.

The question remaining, and of concern to the Community, is whether an unclassified version of the threat should be produced at all.

My recommendation is that it is better for us as the Community to furnish the SSCI with our assessment of the threat than to have the Committee do one on its own.

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HOSTILE INTELLIGENCE THREAT

A. SOURCES OF THE THREAT

-- OVERVIEW

Among foreign intelligence services, the Soviet services, the KGB and the GRU\*, represent by far the most significant intelligence threat. The Soviet threat is both the largest and, in terms of the ability and intent of the Soviets to act against US interests, the most important. In fact, the activities of the Warsaw Pact and Cuban intelligence services are primarily significant to the degree which they support the objectives of the Soviets. The threat from intelligence activities by the People's Republic of China (PRC) is of a different character. The first arrest on charges of committing espionage for the PRC occurred in 1985. The intelligence activities of another group of Marxist-Leninist states--Nicaragua, North Korea, and Vietnam--pose a lesser, but still significant, threat to US foreign policy.

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\*The KGB, or Committee of State Security, and the GRU, the Chief Directorate for Intelligence, both operate on a worldwide basis. The KGB maintains internal security in the USSR and, as a secret intelligence service, conducts intelligence collection abroad. The GRU as the military intelligence organization engages only in foreign intelligence.

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